From: Charles Randklev
To: Oetker, Susan
Cc: Kentaro Inoue

Subject: Re: hornshell museum samples

Date: Monday, August 7, 2017 7:50:14 AM

Thank you!

From: Oetker, Susan <susan_oetker@fws.gov> Sent: Monday, August 7, 2017 7:10:15 AM

To: Charles Randklev **Cc:** Kentaro Inoue

Subject: Re: hornshell museum samples

Sure thing! Here you go.



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On Sun, Aug 6, 2017 at 1:08 PM, Charles Randklev < <u>crandklev@ag.tamu.edu</u>> wrote:

Change of plans, do you have a conference line we can use. I need to pick up a bunch of handouts from a FedEx near my house, which is in FW, around noon. So, I won't be up to lab until early afternoon.

From: Charles Randklev

Sent: Friday, August 4, 2017 2:02:07 PM

To: Oetker, Susan; Kentaro Inoue

Subject: Re: hornshell museum samples

Cool, he mentioned getting into Mexico at the meeting in Cleveland.

From: Oetker, Susan < susan_oetker@fws.gov>Sent: Friday, August 4, 2017 12:50:47 PM

To: Kentaro Inoue **Cc:** Charles Randklev

Subject: Re: hornshell museum samples

Also, in the time you have over the weekend, think about yours and Charles' availability and willingness to collaborate with Kevin Cummings on field visits to Mexico. We can talk more on Monday.

Thanks!

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On Fri, Aug 4, 2017 at 11:32 AM, Oetker, Susan < susan_oetker@fws.gov > wrote: | Will do. Thanks.

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On Fri, Aug 4, 2017 at 11:19 AM, Kentaro Inoue < Kentaro.Inoue@ag.tamu.edu > wrote: We will be in the same office. Please call Charles' cell phone. Thanks!

On August 4, 2017 at 10:16:39, Oetker, Susan (<u>susan_oetker@fws.gov</u>) wrote:

great. are you guys in the same office or should I set up a call line?

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On Fri, Aug 4, 2017 at 11:06 AM, Kentaro Inoue

< Kentaro.Inoue@ag.tamu.edu > wrote:

Hi Susan,

How about 9am CST?

Ken

On August 4, 2017 at 09:53:53, Oetker, Susan (<u>susan_oetker@fws.gov</u>) wrote:

Let's have a call. Can you guys do Monday? I'm good anytime.

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On Fri, Aug 4, 2017 at 10:51 AM, Charles Randklev crandklev@ag.tamu.edu> wrote:

Hi Susan, all of the museum samples I've seen for hornshell are dry material, either desiccated tissue or shell. The Smith has wet material (i.e., the Bereza collection), but it's preserved in formalin, which can be sampled but it's really expensive and the chance of success is low. Ken and Dave Hayes have had good success with extracting DNA from the ligament and/or residue tissue, again though it's not perfect. Our plan is to start visiting museums again later this fall to continue validating our database, but Ken and I were talking about developing a molecular database for type-specimens to help resolve taxonomic related questions. Basically, Ken would extract DNA from the type specimens, starting with the southwest first, and then run phylogenetic analysis to validate the taxonomic identity for species pending review. We don't have any funding for this, but we could use hornshell as a way to get things going?

Thoughts?

Best, Charles

From: Oetker, Susan < susan_oetker@fws.gov >

Sent: Friday, August 4, 2017 9:11:15 AM **To:** Kentaro Inoue; Charles Randklev **Subject:** hornshell museum samples

Hey Ken and Charles!

Question about the museum records of hornshell from Mexcio. Have you run genetic samples of them, and if not, is that possible? What I mean is, do the samples contain intact DNA that you could analyze? If so, we may have money to do this.

Let me know what you think.

Thanks!

Susan

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